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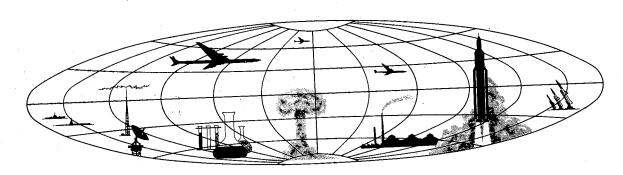








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THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REPRESENTS A PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FROM BRASS KNOB MISSION 3541, DATED 8 APRIL 1963. THE NUMBER APPEARING AT THE END OF THE HEADER LINE IS THE COMOR TARGET NUMBER.

-MISSILES-

25X1A

HAVANA SAM SITE 23Ø9N Ø8213W

SITE CONTAINS 6 CANVAS-COVERED LAUNCH POSITIONS, A CANVAS-COVERED HOLD AREA, AND A CANVAS-COVERED GUIDANCE AREA.

25X1D

CAIBARIEN SAM SITE 2228N Ø7929W

SITE CONTAINS 6 CANVAS-COVERED LAUNCHERS, ONE MISSILE TRANSPORTER, AND AN OCCUPIED CANVAS-COVERED GUIDANCE AREA.

25X1D

SANTIAGO DE LAS VEGAS SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2257N Ø8221W

AREA CONTAINS 26 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS (24 WITH PRIME-MOVERS) AND 4 OTHER VEHICLES.

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MANAGUA SAM SITE 2259N Ø8215W

SITE APPEARS COMPLETE.
NO MISSILE EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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25X1A

CAMPO FLORIDA CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2306N 08211W

TWO LAUNCHERS, 4 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, 9 CRUISE-MISSILE CRATES, AND 13 VEHICLES VISIBLE.

25X1D

-AIRFIELDS-

HOLGUIN AIRFIELD 2048N 07618W

AIRCRAFT -- 7 FAGOT/FRESCO AND ONE LIAISON-TYPE OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

25X1D

SAN ANTONIO DE LOS BANOS AIRFIELD 2252N Ø8231W

AIRCRAFT -- 11 B-26, 36 FISHBED, 13 FAGOT/FRESCO, 3 FARMER, ONE T-6, AND 6 UNIDENTIFIED SINGLE-ENGINE AIRCRAFT VISIBLE IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

25X1D

JOSE MARTI INTERNATIONAL AIRFIELD 2300N 08224W

AIRCRAFT -- 3 CONSTELLATION, 3 C-54, 3 C-46, ONE CESSNA 310, ONE B-26, 3 CRATE, 2 BRITANNIA, ONE COOT, ONE C-46, ONE LODESTAR, 2 LIAISON-TYPE, ONE PROBABLE C-54, AND ONE C-47 VISIBLE IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

25X1D

CAMPO LIBERTAD AIRFIELD 2306N 08226W

AIRCRAFT -- 2 CAB, 3 CRATE, ONE PBY, 7 COLT, AND 41 LIAISON/TRAINER VISIBLE IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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MARIEL NAVAL AIR STATION 2300N 08246W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS. NUMEROUS VEHICLES PARKED AT EAST END OF RUNWAY. OBLIQUITY PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

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PLAYA BARACOA AIRFIELD 2302N 08235W

AIRCRAFT -- 43 HOUND, 5 HARE, ONE C-47, ONE CRATE, AND ONE BELL HELICOPTER VISIBLE IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

25X1A

MANAGUA AIRFIELD 2258N Ø8217W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

25X1D

-PORTS-

MARIEL PORT 2301N 08245W

VESSELS -- 7 KOMAR-CLASS PGMG VISIBLE IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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CAIBARIEN PORT 2232N Ø7928W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

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SURGIDERO DE BATABANO PORT 2241N Ø8218W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D

HAVANA PORT 23Ø8N Ø8221W

VESSELS -- 26 FREIGHTERS, ONE KOMAR-CLASS PGMG ON MARINE RAILWAY, 6 PT, 3 PC, AND ONE PF VISIBLE.

25X1D

PUERTO PADRE PORT 2113N Ø7632W

VESSELS -- ONE LARGE FREIGHTER VISIBLE AT CAYO JUAN CLARO.

25X1D

-MILITARY ACTIVITY-

LA FLORA AREA, MILITARY STORAGE 2252N Ø8233W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES. THIRTY-THREE VEHICLES OBSERVED.

25X1D

LA BOCA, MILITARY CAMP 2301N 08242W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES. TWELVE VEHICLES VISIBLE.

25X1D

REMEDIOS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2227N Ø7934W

THE FOLLOWING WERE OBSERVED.
THIRTEEN LARGE, 27 MEDIUM, AND 19 SMALL TENTS,
31 TANKS/SP GUNS, 8 UNIDENTIFIED TRACKED VEHICLES,
ONE PROBABLE FROG MISSILE TRANSPORTER, 2 PROBABLE

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FROG LAUNCHERS, 9 SNAPPERS, AT LEAST 13 FA PIECES, 8 PROBABLE AAA PIECES, 216 CARGO TRUCKS, 19 UTILITY TRUCKS, 10 TRACKED PRIME-MOVERS, 86 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES, 10 CARGO TRAILERS, AND 5 TRUCK-MOUNTED TREADWAY BRIDGES.
THE 6-GUN AAA SITE REMAINS OCCUPIED.
THE AREA WHERE ADDITIONAL PROBABLE FROG MISSILE TRANSPORTERS WERE KNOWN TO BE PARKED IS NOT DISCERNIBLE.

25X1D 25X1A HAVANA, AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA 2301N 08226W THREE PROBABLE VEHICLES OBSERVED ON LOOP ROAD. SMALL SCALE AND OBLIQUITY PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION. 25X1D 25X1D NAZARENO, MILITARY AREA 2258N Ø8214W SITE CONTAINS AT LEAST 12 TANKS/SP GUNS AND 7 OTHER UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES. 25X1D GUANABO AREA, MILITARY AREA 2311N Ø82Ø3W NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES. NO VEHICLES OBSERVED. 25X1D

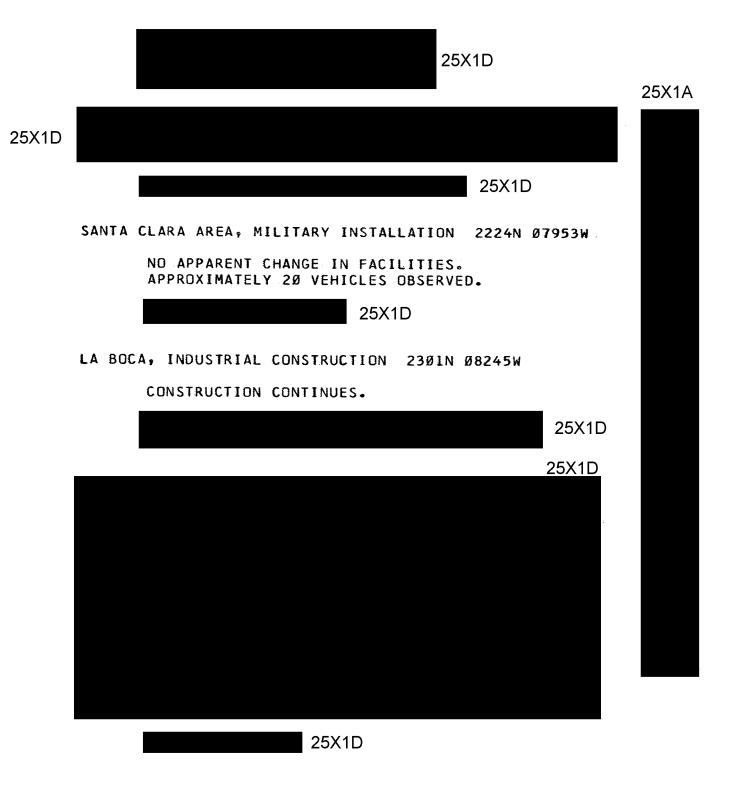
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BAJURAYABO AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2308N 08210W NO VEHICLES OR EQUIPMENT VISIBLE. 25X1D GUANABACOA, MILITARY AREA 2307N 08215W EAST AREA -- CLOUD COVERED. WEST AREA -- 15 FA PIECES AND 20 VEHICLES. 25X1D LOMA DE TIERRA, MILITARY CAMP 2301N 08213W THREE LOWBOY TRAILERS AND APPROXIMATELY 150 VEHICLES VISIBLE. 25X1D HAVANA AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2301N 08218W AREA 1 -- 7 TANKS/SP GUNS VISIBLE. AREA 2 -- NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES. TWO VEHICLES VISIBLE. AREA 3 -- CLOUD-COVERED. AREA 4 -- 24 FA PIECES OBSERVED. 25X1D 25X1A -MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY-BEJUCAL, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITES 2256N Ø8223W NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES. THIRTY-TWO VEHICLES OBSERVED IN HEADQUARTERS AREA. 25X1D 25X1D

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-STATUS OF OTHER TARGETS-

	LAST COVERAGE	5X1A
05745	GUANAJAY IRBM SITE 1 REMEDIOS IRBM SITE GUANAJAY IRBM SITE 2 TAPASTE AREA, STORAGE SITES HAVANA AREA, COMMUNICATIONS CENTER 2257N Ø8239W 2225N Ø7935W 2257N Ø8239W 2257N Ø8239W	
25X1D	SAN JOSE DE LAS LAJAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP SAN JOSE DE LAS LAJAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP MADRUGA, POL STORAGE MANAGUA, MILITARY CAMP PURIO, MILITARY AREA SPECIAL AREA ALPHA SPECIAL AREA HOTEL SPECIAL AREA BRAVO BLUE SPECIAL AREA BRAVO RED SPECIAL AREA VICTOR SPECIAL AREA TANGO TARARA LANDING BEACH MANAGUA, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITE 225N Ø821ØW 2258N Ø8217W 2258N Ø8227W 2301N Ø8223W 2254N Ø8233W 2254N Ø8231W 2258N Ø8234W 2258N Ø8218W	
25X1E	25X1D	
	THE FOLLOWING TARGETS COULD BE IDENTIFIED BUT NOT INTERPRETED	25X1A
	MARIEL SAM SITE HOLGUIN SAM SITE GUERRA POSSIBLE CRUISE-MISSILE SITE ARTEMISA, MILITARY CAMP SANTIAGO DE LAS VEGAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP TORRENS, MILITARY COMPLEX SAN ERANCISCO DE PAULA, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITE 2303N 08218W	
25X	1D 25X1D	

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